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## The Daily Press.

HONGKONG, MAY 15TH 1909.

The statement made by H.E. the Governor in the Legislative Council on Thursday regarding the ever-expanding estimate of the cost of constructing the British section of the Kowloon-Canton railway makes sorry reading. Originally the estimate was a little over five million dollars, but this calculation the Governor explained last year was "a very rough one" and "included no calculation of quantities" and many important items such as rolling stock, workshops, &c. As soon as the actual work of construction began, the estimate of the cost commenced to swell prodigiously, and by the end of 1907 it had grown to very nearly twice the original amount; still it did not include provision for workshops, though rolling stock and the cost of some deep sea resumptions were inserted. In the last sixteen months the estimate has been further increased by another two million dollars, and the statement laid before the Legislative Council on Thursday shows the present estimate to be \$11,004,128, including workshops and all items, but "it is still possible that the land resumption may not be fully provided for, as all matters in connection with that subject are not yet finally concluded." In other words, a still further increase in the estimate is possible if not probable.

There will be a familiar ring about this story should it be read in other columns which have also had railways constructed for them by the Crown Agents. A few months ago, for instance, we drew attention to the evidence given by Sir FRANK SWETTESHAM,

formerly Governor of the Straits Settlements before the Commission of Inquiry into the Crown Agents' system. Giving the experience of the Singapore railway, the ex-Governor said the line took more than twice as long to construct as it ought to have done; it cost about twice the original estimate, and the work was not well done, for a bridge subsequently tumbled down and an embankment gave way. Trinidad has had a somewhat similar experience. Now it is Hongkong's turn. The Colonies may grumble, but they have in the end to pay the bill. No blame rests upon the Colonial Governments: in the words of Sir FRANK SWETTESHAM "the Government of the Colony has no voice in the matter except to pay the bills." A veil of secrecy was thrown over the earlier stages of the undertaking. The scheme and the estimates were not laid before the Legislative Council but an unofficial member of Council did manage to elicit the information that the twenty-two miles of railway from Kowloon to Sanchun were estimated to cost about £550,000 sterling to construct. It was left however to Sir FREDERICK LUGARD a year ago, when the work was well under weigh, and the estimate had been nearly doubled, to inform the Colony that the original estimate was merely "a rough one," and did not take into account such things as rolling stock, workshops, &c. Surely the Government must have had some "rough idea" of what rolling stock and workshops would cost to provide? When we recollect that the first information the Colony had of the estimated cost of the line was £550,000, there seems room for the assumption that the difference between this sum and Mr. Bruce's actual estimate of \$5,053,274, formed the "rough estimate" of the cost of rolling stock, workshops, and other incidental expenses. On this estimate the undertaking to construct the line was entered upon, and the Governor in his speech on Thursday said the consulting engineers were responsible that the estimates are adhered to. Well, the Colony will be interested to learn what results now that the original estimate has been more than doubled, and may be trebled before the work is completed - for, be it noted, besides the cost of possible land resumptions, mentioned earlier, His Excellency has a misgiving that there will be some addition to the estimates in consequence of defective bridge-work. All the explanations which have been furnished to account for the enormous excess over the original estimate may be perfectly intelligible and satisfactory to the consulting engineers, but the public generally will continue to think there is something wrong somewhere when an estimate by an experienced and well qualified railway engineer has exceeded to such an enormous extent. If Dr. MORRISON had been told this story of a railway constructed under Chinese supervision, imagine what a telegram he would have sent about it to The Times!

The French Mail of the 13th April was delivered in London on the 13th inst.

The Hon. Mr. W. J. and Mrs. Gresson returned to Hongkong from Shanghai yesterday.

The Hon. Mr. E. Osborne returned to the Colony yesterday by the Empress of India after a year's absence.

Jame Tien Yau, Engineer-in-Chief of the Peking-Kalgan railway, has been appointed Engineer-in-Chief of the Szechuan-Hankow Railway.

Work on the building of an Imperial University in Peking is rapidly being pushed forward. It is the earnest desire of Grand Councillor Chang Chih-tung to see the University opened as early as possible.

Mr. Van de Sande Bakhuizen, of the Dutch Consulate at Hongkong, will shortly proceed to Shanghai to take charge of the consulate there, in the absence on leave of the Dutch Consul General.

A life-size picture of Governor-General Smith of the Philippines, painted by Sr. Enriquez, will be hung in the office of the Governor-General together with the paintings of Governors-General Taft, Wright and Ida.

Mr. J. S. Doble, the Hongkong agent of the Chinese Engineering and Mining Co., Ltd., informs us that the total output of the company's three mines for the week ending 1st May 1909 amounted to 39,215.96 tons, and the sales during the period to 25,513.39 tons.

It is announced in a Peking paper that all requirements for the equipment of China's army in the way of woollen clothes, &c., will be supplied by the factory established for that purpose, and there will be no necessity to look to foreign countries for such supplies.

The foreign assistant of police at Kinkiang is reported by the Hankow Mail to be under arrest for causing the death of a Chinese at Kinkiang. It appears to have been quite an accidental affair. In a crush he pushed the Chinese with a stick and unfortunately burst his spleen causing almost instantaneous death. The Chinese are very indignant over the matter.

"Colonel" Bob Love of Harrold's Circus arrived in the Colony from Manila yesterday by the s.s. Tean. The Colonel, who is looking well after his recent illness, proceeds to-day to Shanghai to join the Circus.

The necessary official permission is being sought for the formation of a gas light company at Peking. It is proposed to begin with a capital of Taels 700,000. Taels 4,000 have already been taken up and if permission is granted the remaining stock will be placed on the open market.

Owing to the decline in exchange and the consequent burden resultant therefrom on the Indemnity Paying Department of the Board of Finance, the Peking Daily News says the Viceroy and Governors of all provinces have been instructed to raise additional money in their respective provinces to adjust the difference in exchange. The difference in exchange has hitherto been borne by the Board of Finance alone.

The funeral service of the late Mr. E. T. Bethell took place at the deceased's house on Sunday, the 2nd instant. The Rt. Rev. Bishop Turner officiated, and a large number of friends were present. After the service, reports the South Press, the cortege proceeded to the foreign cemetery at Yang Wha Chin, being preceded by many Koreans carrying gaudy lanterns and scrolls and followed by a large proportion of the foreign community.

Mr. J. H. Kemp presided over a meeting of Justices of the Peace held at the Magistracy yesterday afternoon, and there were also present Messrs. R. H. A. Craig, T. H. King, and C. D. Melbourne. The meeting was called to consider an application from Mr. R. F. Daly for the transfer to him from Mr. J. H. Newbold of the adjacent licence to sell, by retail, intoxicating liquors at the Owl Grill Room, 29 and 31, Des Vœux Road Central. There were no police objections, and the licence was granted.

On the 5th instant at noon Admiral Togo gave a dinner at the Mitsui Club, Tokyo, in honour of Admiral Sir Haldyworth Lambton, Commander of the British squadron on the China station, and others of the squadron, about thirty in all. Besides the guests of honour, there were present Admiral Saito, Minister of the Navy, Admiral Kato, Vice-Minister of the Navy, Admirals Kusunoki, Nakamura, Mito, and Shimura, and other officers. In the course of the function Admiral Togo proposed the toast of the British Navy and the health of Admiral Lambton, who suitably responded. At 2 p.m. the gathering proceeded to a reception given by Count Matsura at his residence.

The hostilities at Peking are not the only ones to experience a boom in trade. There is another branch of industry which is, at the present moment, doing a roaring business, namely, the numerous gambling establishments in Telegraph Lane. Night after night these gambling dens are crowded with residents and especially tourists. The racketeers are making hay while the sun shines, the P. & T. Times says, and adds the following curious statement: "During the past fortnight, Peking has been invaded by ambassadors, military and civilian officials, merchants, respectable Far Eastern residents and their wives, globe trotters, male and female tourists, shopkeepers, pedlars, Greek and Jewish groghophers, ronelette, and gambling house keepers, and various vagabonds, nondescripts, and social parasites."

Quite a sensation has been caused in Shanghai settlement, says the Shanghai Mercury, by the announcement that a writ had been issued against Mr. R. S. F. McBain, as director and general agent of the Matsushipp, tot Mijun-Boschen on Landbouwexploitatie in Langkat, Limited. The plaintiff is a shareholder in the Langkat Company, and while the exact terms of the writ have not been made public it is understood that the claim is made in connection with certain information regarding the further discoveries of oil which have been made on the company's property. Messrs. Drummond, White-Copper and Phillips are the attorneys for the plaintiff while the defendant will be represented by Messrs. Stokes, Platt and Tesdale. The writ is returnable in H.E.M.'s Supreme Court on Saturday the 15th inst., and when the case subsequently comes on for hearing the proceedings are likely to be of a highly interesting nature.

Referring to the reports in the Japanese press regarding the boycott in South China, the Japan Mail says: "Considering that barely four years have passed since Japan fought a great war which preserved to China three whole provinces covering an immense area and sacred as the birthplace of the reigning dynasty, this vindictive mood on the part of the Chinese towards their neighbour is certainly one of the curious episodes of modern history. On the one hand, we have the Japanese nation blaming its statesmen for showing undue leniency towards China, and on the other we have China behaving as though her neighbour were a perpetual thorn in her side. The worst of it is that the Chinese do not seem to be guided in any degree by reason. They would be puzzled to assign any rational explanation of their attitude towards Japan or to lay any definite accusations at her door. They appear to be simply huffed; and, when men have fallen into that temper, they cease to be capable of calm argument. Certainly, however optimistically we may regard the situation, it contains elements of uneasiness, for with the Chinese in their present mood any attempt on Japan's part to placate them by concessions would probably be misconstrued. In dealing with her neighbour, Japan has of course to place her own interests in the first line; but she has also to take due account of the interests of Western Powers, which means that she must not endorse any Chinese action which might become a generally irksome precedent."

According to Japanese papers, the British China Squadron, now in Yokohama harbour, will leave for Hakodate on or about the 15th instant.

Lieutenant-Commander Jowett, who was on trial at Cavite, P.I., by general court martial, for having run the American gunboat Poragua, aground in southern waters, has been acquitted of all blame, and has been busy receiving the congratulations of his brother officers.

During a murder trial at Chefoo the counsel for the defence advanced the theory that the testimony of the five Chinese witnesses should be rejected as wholly and wilfully false. In supporting this contention, he made the following startling propositions: (a) That the Chinese mind and point of view is such that, in the case of every Chinese witness, the Court is bound to start with a presumption that the witness will not tell the truth; and (b) that this is a race characteristic so pronounced and so well established by authorities cited by the counsel that this Court is bound to take judicial notice of it and to be guided thereby in determining the weight of evidence.

## CRICKET.

A cricket match will be played this afternoon on the Hongkong Cricket Club's ground, commencing at 1.30 p.m., against the Military team which is to visit Shanghai and Japan next week. The Cricket Club team will be composed of the following:—Messrs. T. E. Pearce, H. Hancock, H. R. Makin, A. A. Claxton, E. W. Day, R. E. O. Bird, E. C. Oliver, R. N. R. E. H. Oliver, H. R. Phelps, Lt. Comd. F. Noble, R. N. and Mr. A. O. Brown. Reserve—Mr. W. C. D. Turner.

## RECEIVING STOLEN PROPERTY.

Before Mr. J. H. Kemp at the Magistracy yesterday, two unemployed natives, with no fixed place of abode, were charged with stealing two gold rings valued at \$115 and \$53 in money from Mrs. Weigel, who resides at Nathan Road, Kowloon. One of the defendants was previously employed by the complainant, but at the time of the larceny she had a new "boy" and a new coolie. On the 12th instant she left her residence at about 6 p.m. in charge of the "boy" and the coolie. When she returned at 7.15 p.m. the "boy" and the coolie were missing, and so were two diamond rings and \$53. The defendants, it appears, were friends of the thieves, and received the stolen property from them to pawn. Arrest followed its presentation at a pawn shop, and the men were prosecuted by Detective Sergeant Wilden. After hearing the evidence his Worship convicted both men of receiving, and sentenced each to three months' imprisonment with hard labour and three hours' stocks.

## ANGLO-SIAMESE TREATY.

## PROTECTION OF BRITISH RIGHTS.

Reuters Agency learns that the complete text of the Anglo-Siamese Convention which was recently concluded at Bangkok, has now reached England. The Treaty itself consists of eight articles referring to thecession of Rikantan and the neighbouring Siamese State to Great Britain, and also to the transfer to Siamese jurisdiction over British subjects. Simultaneously with the conclusion of this Treaty there was also signed at Bangkok a brief agreement relating to railways, providing for the loan to Siam of 4 per cent. of £4,000,000 of British capital for railway extensions.

With regard to the Convention itself, it is understood that ample provision has been made for safeguarding to the fullest extent the rights of British subjects in the Siam court. Europeans have the right to be tried before a European judge whilst Asiatic British subjects before the Siamese Courts have the safeguard of a European adviser sitting to watch the proceedings. The new treaty indicates a great advance in the status of Siam, and places her in another category of nations.

## FILIPINO FARMERS.

## ASSISTED TO SECURE HOMES.

The thrifty Filipino farmer who wishes to establish a homestead for himself and family, says a Manila exchange, given every possible encouragement and assistance by the Philippine Government. The Government realizes that the establishment of a stable crop like hemp or coconuts on a farm will not only benefit the individual farmer but will make the country that much richer and more prosperous. The more farms of this class that are cleared and improved, the greater will be the improvement of economic conditions in general in the islands. For the betterment of the material welfare of this stable farmer class, the free use of privilege of public lands has been granted. Any Filipino wants on a farm to develop a bit of agricultural land to furnish him with a permanent means of livelihood may obtain a concession. The plot selected by a prospective farmer is usually situated in a public forest. The reason for this is that the soil there is exceedingly rich and fertile, and cultivation is much easier on land where wild grasses have no chance to grow.

## WEATHER REPORT.

The Hongkong Observatory yesterday issued the following report:—On the 14th at 11.55 a.m.—The barometer has risen over the Yangtze Valley, and at the Bonin, and fallen over Japan and Northern and Southern China.

Pressure is low over E. Manchuria, the Pacific to the S.E. of Japan and over the northern shores of China. It is high over China to the North of the Yangtze, and over N.E. Japan.

Fresh to strong N.E. winds may be expected in the Formosa Channel and along the northern shores of the China Sea.

Hongkong rainfall for the 24 hours ending at 10 a.m. to-day, 6.00 inches.

The forecast for the 24 hours ending at noon to-day is as follows:—

Hongkong & Neighbourhood	N.E. winds, fresh or strong, equally, rainy.
Formosa Channel	Same as No. 1.
South coast of China between Hongkong and Amoy	Same as No. 1.
South coast of China between Hongkong and Hainan	Same as No. 1.

## TELEGRAMS.

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## A SHANGHAI SHIPPING CASE.

LONDON, May 13th.  
The Judicial Committee of the Privy Council has allowed the appeal from the decree of the Supreme Court at Shanghai confiscating the steamer "Maori King."

## JAPANESE DECORATION FOR A FAMOUS AMERICAN.

LONDON, May 13th.  
Mr. Takahira, the Japanese Ambassador to the United States has handed to Dr. Eliot of Harvard University, the Order of the Rising Sun, conferred upon him by H.M. the Emperor of Japan.

The Ambassador expressed to Dr. Eliot His Majesty's appreciation of the great services he had rendered to education and referred especially to the many Japanese who had been educated at Harvard.

## PAYMENT OF M.P.'S.

## RESOLUTION ADOPTED IN THE HOUSE OF COMMONS.

LONDON, May 13th.  
The House of Commons has adopted by 242 votes to 92, a resolution in favour of the payment of members of Parliament, £300 each per annum. The Government readily accepted the resolution.

## "THE EUROPEAN CENTRE OF GRAVITY."

## THE KAISER IN AUSTRIA.

LONDON, May 14th.  
H. M. the Kaiser on arriving at Pola (the naval port and arsenal of Austria) received a great ovation, and an enthusiastic reception is being prepared for His Majesty at Vienna.

Articles in the Austrian and German press hail the visit as sealing the end of rivalries and marking the restoration of the European centre of gravity to the Continent.

An inspired statement published at Berlin says the interview between the Kaiser and King Emmanuel showed that the policy of the Triple Alliance had been tested and that a change is unlikely, Italy's confidence being undiminished.

## THEFTS BY AMERICAN SAILORS.

On the morning of the 3rd instant eight blue-jackets from the American cruiser Chatterbox, which was then in port at Kobe, entered the Horio rifle store, Kitagawara-dori, 7-chome, Kobe. While some of the men were making purchases three others appropriated three revolvers which were on a shelf. After the sailors had left the shop the proprietor missed the three revolvers, and went in pursuit of his late customers, overtaking them as they were entering an hotel in Kaigan-dori.

Upon communicating the matter to the police, the latter proceeded to the hotel accompanied by an interpreter. Charged with the theft the men at first denied having taken the revolvers, but eventually admitted having stolen the weapons and produced them. The revolvers were returned to the owner, while the men were sent on board their ship to be dealt with.—Japan Chronicle.

## LISBON EARTHQUAKE.

## HIGH SEA CAUSES MANY HOUSES TO COLLAPSE.

A violent shock of earthquake was felt at Lisbon at 5 p.m. on the 23rd ult. Many persons rushed terror-stricken into the streets.

A telegram from Espinho, in the district of Vizeu, stated that the sea rose thirty feet above the highest previous tide level, causing many buildings in the centre of the town to collapse.

More or less violent shocks were felt in many parts of Portugal, accompanied by subterranean rumblings. There was no reason to believe that material damage had been done, or that great any loss of life had occurred, or that great any loss of life had occurred, or that great any loss of life had occurred.

One case a woman flung herself from the window of a swaying house into the street. A few small fires broke out in Lisbon following the earthquake.

King Manuel witnessed the operations of the firemen at one point.

The walls of a large number of churches were cracked.

In the House of Peers, Senator Alpoim was speaking when the earthquake occurred, and there was a general panic among the Members of the House and the occupants of the crowded public galleries.

## THE DELIMITATION OF THE MACAO BOUNDARIES.

This subject has been much discussed by the Chinese papers in Peking. The Peking Daily News of the 5th inst. contains the following:—An authority on the Macao boundary question interviewed to-day said:—The question of the true boundaries of Macao is beyond dispute. It may be as well to draw attention to the fact that the said boundaries are very definitely known. Investigations have been made at the instigation of the Viceroy of Kwangtung which clearly demonstrate the fact that the Portuguese authorities have seriously encroached upon Chinese territory and violated China's sovereign rights. Particulars were needed in order that the question might be diplomatically discussed and the result of an enquiry shows that the following encroachments have been made by the Portuguese Government.

1. Green Island is situated between Macao and Wan Chai and on the North of the sea. The island is connected with China. During the 15th, and 16th, years of Kwang Han, the Portuguese made a new road leading up to the island and subsequently treated the island as Portuguese territory.

2. Mong Ha Kok and Loong Tin villages were places outside Macao boundaries. China had here established military guard houses and forts in these places but these were included in the Portuguese territory in the first year of Kwang Han, by whose authority no one knows. In the 15th year of Kwang Han, Governor Wu was deputed to settle the Macao Boundary question but, owing to some urgent Government affairs this was postponed. In the 24th year of Kwang Han however, the Portuguese claimed these two places as being within their territorial jurisdiction.

3. Kwo Lo Wan is an important place and forms the door of Macao, giving access to the sea. To the left of Kwo Lo Wan is Kan O, and to the right is Wang Kan. Kwo Lo Wan itself is several times larger than Kan O. The Kwo Lo Wan Customs formerly had launches and cruises on patrol thence to prevent smuggling. In the first year of Kwang Han the Portuguese Government placed soldiers at Kwo Lo Wan and also in Li Chi Wan and Shek O, attempting to annex this territory. Afterwards they are reported to have also seized and controlled the territory of Wan Chai and Ngan Hang. These places have still Chinese forts and guard houses which illustrate the right which China has never abrogated the right on both sides to the compact. In recent years however, the number of divorces has diminished to a degree that bids fair in time to reverse the former conditions. Though from an Occidental point of view the present percentage of divorce to marriage is alarmingly high, going on as it does at the rate of 200 a day the year round, it represents only 19 per cent. of the total number of yearly marriages, compared with the 34 per cent. that obtained a decade ago. Thus far, inference is solely from official statistics, but from this source alone it is exceedingly difficult to arrive at an accurate estimate of actual conditions. A very considerable proportion of failures to respect the marriage compact does not come under the notice of the authorities. The empire makes no provision for divorce courts as such, most of the separations being effected by what is regarded as mutual agreement. Japanese sociologists are wont to attribute the principal cause of divorce to conjugal infidelity, consequent upon the clash of old and new ideas in regard to the equality of the sexes. On the other hand, if, as the authorities admit, divorce is rapidly on the decline, and domestic life generally is a moral improvement on conditions obtaining under the old regime, the main cause of divorce must be ascribed to evils other than those resulting from the influx of Occidental ideals. Chief among these evils must be included the recent tendency to luxury and extravagance of living incident to the increased material progress of the nation, with a multitude of temptations to pleasure of a questionable character.

## MARRIAGE AND DIVORCE IN JAPAN.

The Tokyo correspondent of the Standard remarks that a significant aspect of Japanese society since coming under the influence of Occidental civilization is its increasing respect for the marriage bond. In olden times the average Japanese citizen did not appear to regard the relations between husband and wife as the any specially sacred, or even equally binding on both sides to the compact. In recent years however, the number of divorces has diminished to a degree that bids fair in time to reverse the former conditions. Though from an Occidental point of view the present percentage of divorce to marriage is alarmingly high, going on as it does at the rate of 200 a day the year round, it represents only 19 per cent. of the total number of yearly marriages, compared with the 34 per cent. that obtained a decade ago. Thus far, inference is solely from official statistics, but from this source alone it is exceedingly difficult to arrive at an accurate estimate of actual conditions. A very considerable proportion of failures to respect the marriage compact does not come under the notice of the authorities. The empire makes no provision for divorce courts as such, most of the separations being effected by what is regarded as mutual agreement. Japanese sociologists are wont to attribute the principal cause of divorce to conjugal infidelity, consequent upon the clash of old and new ideas in regard to the equality of the sexes. On the other hand, if, as the authorities admit, divorce is rapidly on the decline, and domestic life generally is a moral improvement on conditions obtaining under the old regime, the main cause of divorce must be ascribed to evils other than those resulting from the influx of Occidental ideals. Chief among these evils must be included the recent tendency to luxury and extravagance of living incident to the increased material progress of the nation, with a multitude of temptations to pleasure of a questionable character.

## CHINESE PREJUDICE.

A curious illustration of Oriental prejudice was recently afforded in the experience of London banks having occasion to forward large sums of gold coin to China. It was ascertained that the Chinese would accept no sovereigns bearing the familiar Saint George and Dragon on the reverse side, as the Dragon plays an important role in matters religious in the Flower Kingdom, and its representation on the English coins is abhorrent to the Celestial mind. The London consignment were therefore obliged to select older coins, bearing on the reverse side a shield instead of the Dragon. The result of this is (says a New York contemporary) that the older coins are now quite scarce in Great Britain; only about 5,000 remaining in general circulation.

## DOMESTIC PROBLEM IN BRUSSELS.

A Brussels merchant advertised for a servant. One applicant pleased him. The terms and the outtings were arranged, when the girl asked: "Whom shall I wash the dishes?" Taken aback, the merchant asked her to repeat her question. The girl did so without turning a hair. "Madame washes the dishes, and I dry them," replied the merchant. "Can you play the piano?" he asked. "No," was the reply. "Then I am afraid you will not suit," said the merchant. The girl retired with a dignified air. With a politeness which is described as exquisite, she turned, according to the French and Country to the merchant and said: "To-morrow I shall take lessons at the Conservatoire, and as soon as I begin to make progress I will call again!" This story is certified as authentic.

## CHINA'S NAVY.

DEPENDENT UPON CHINA'S BUDGET. Before making further appropriations for the navy, it has been decided says the Peking Daily News to investigate thoroughly the finances of the country. To this end commissioners have been appointed whose duty it will be to bring out a budget of the Empire. Viceroy and Governors have been instructed to report to the beginning of provincial budgets. Future appropriations for the navy will be figured out on the presentation of the national budget. This arrangement has met with the approval of all ministers.



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Hongkong, 15th May, 1909.

FROM EUROPE.

THE H.A.L. Steamship

"SILVIA"

Captain Porzelius, having arrived Consignees of Cargo are hereby requested to send in their Bills of Lading for countersignature by the Undersigned and to take immediate delivery of their Goods from alongside.

Optional Cargo will be forwarded unless notice to the contrary be given before TO-DAY.

Any Cargo impeding her discharge will be landed at Consignees' risk into the hazardous and/or extra hazardous Godowns of the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Co., Ltd., and stored at Consignees' risk and expense.

All Claims must be presented within ten days of the steamer's arrival here, after which date they cannot be recognised.

No Claims will be admitted after the Goods have left the Godowns, and all Goods remaining undelivered after the 21st inst., will be subject to rent.

All broken, chafed, and damaged Goods are to be left in the Godowns, where they will be examined on the 20th inst. at 3 p.m.

No Fire Insurance has been effected.

HAMBURG-AMERICA LINE.

Hongkong, 14th May, 1909.

THE HONGKONG WEEKLY PRESS & CHINA OVERLAND TRADER REPORT

is now ready and contains:

Epitome of the Week's News.

Leading Articles.

Peking Canada.

The Late Emperor of China.

The Boycott.

Manchu-Chinese Marriages.

Malaria in Hongkong.

Random Reflections.

Hongkong News.

Hongkong Legislative Council.

Government House.

A Chinese Love story.

Sanitary Board.

An Abduction Charge.

A Valuable Find.

Supreme Court.

Ullicht Driving.

Reckless Driving.

Intervening Fortune Telling Case.

A Story of the "Sun."

Company Meeting.

The Dunlop Rubber Plantation Co., Ltd.

Preferred Jail to Exile.

Canton Municipal Council.

Shipping Notes.

Contemplated Improvements at Haiphong.

Serious Plague in the West.

A Bishopric for Archdeacon Banister.

Trade of India.

Notes from Japan.

The Unwritten Law.

China Association—Shanghai Branch.

The Emperor's Funeral.

Currency in China.

The Civil Service Estimates.

Imperial Wedding in Japan.

Tennis Match and Distribution of Prizes.

## NEW ADVERTISEMENT

NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

FROM MIDDLESBOROUGH, ANTWERP.

LONDON, COLOMBO AND SINGAPORE.

THE Company's Steamship

"BINGO MARU"

having arrived from the above Ports, Consignees of cargo are hereby informed that their Goods are being landed and placed at their disposal in the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Company's Godowns at Kowloon, where each consignment will be sorted out mark by mark and delivery can be obtained as soon as the Goods are landed.

Optional Goods will be carried on unless instructions are given to the contrary before NOON, TO-DAY.

Goods not cleared by the 20th inst., will be subject to rent.

No Fire Insurance has been effected.

Damaged packages must be left in the Godowns for examination by the Consignees and the Co.'s representatives at an appointed hour. All claims must be presented within ten days of the steamer's arrival here, after which date they cannot be recognised. No claims will be admitted after the goods have left the Godowns.

NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA.

Hongkong, 13th May, 1909.

PUBLIC COMPANY

HONGKONG & WHAMPOA DOCK COMPANY, LIMITED.

THE SHARE CERTIFICATE, No. 2915, for Ten Shares numbered 19141/19150 inclusive, fully paid up, standing in the Register in the name of AUGUSTE PIERRE MAZET, deceased, having been LOST, Notice is hereby given that unless the said Certificate be produced at the Office of the Company, Queen's Building, Victoria, Hongkong, before the 27th May, 1909, a new Certificate for the said shares will be issued and the old Certificate will thereafter be held by the Company as null and void.

By Order of the Board of Directors, GEO. A. CALDWELL, Acting Secretary.

Hongkong, 28th April, 1909.

INTIMATION

THE CHINA-BORNEO CO., LTD.

NOTICE

DURING my absence at any time from the Colony Mr. WILLIAM DENYS JUPP will act as Manager at Hongkong of the above named Company.

W. G. DARBY, General Manager.

Hongkong, 10th May, 1909.

NOTICE

THE MANAGER OF KENNEDY'S STABLE begs to inform the residents of KOWLOON and district that provided sufficient support be forthcoming he will be prepared to establish a SHOEING FORGE at KOWLOON where Horses and Ponies can be shod by experienced Shanghai farriers on stated days to be arranged later.

Insurance at expense will be incurred in hiring suitable premises and in fitting up the forge. The Manager hopes that the Scheme will have general support.

These desirous of availing themselves of the above are requested to send in their names and number of Horses and Ponies to the Undersigned.

G. W. GEGG, Manager, Kennedy's Stables.

Hongkong, 3th May, 1909.

IN THE ESTATE OF THE LATE THOMAS BROCKETT, FOOCHOW, CHINA, Storekeeper.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that all persons having Claims against the above Estate are required to send particulars of same to the undersigned before the 15th Day of MAY, 1909. And all persons indebted to the said Estate are required to make immediate payment to me.

P. W. SHAW, Attorney for the Executor.

Foochow, 16th March, 1909.

NOTICE

WEISMANN, LIMITED.

OUR BUSINESS has been REMOVED to No. 14, DES VOUX ROAD CENTRAL. (Lately occupied by Madame Jay).

Hongkong, 28th April, 1909.

LOST

ON TUESDAY, the 11th May, Robinson Road near Glenalea YOUNG WHITE FOX TERRIER BITCH, Darkbrown Ears, 2 Black Spots, answering to the name of NELLIE. Reward \$25 if returned to REUTER, BROCKELMANN & Co., Prince's Building, 2nd floor.

Hongkong, 13th May, 1909.

LOST

ON the morning of 12th inst., near Douglas Pier, BLACK SPANIEL BITCH answering to the name of BIDDY. Anyone found in possession of same after this Notice will be prosecuted. Anyone returning the Dog to Mr. H. SETH, NORMAN COTTAGE, PEAK ROAD, will be rewarded.

Hongkong, 14th May, 1909.

SITUATION WANTED.

A YOUNG SWISS LADY seeks Situation as Travelling Maid or as Governess, Speaks English, French, German, and Italian.

Apply to—Care of "Daily Press" Office.

Hongkong, 7th May, 1909.

BOARD AND RESIDENCE

WANTED a Good Sized BED-SITTING ROOM (higher levels preferable). Board Optional, but verandah with view of harbour essential. Apply giving full particulars to—K. X. X.

Care of "Daily Press" Office.

Hongkong, 24th April, 1909.

## AUCTIONS

## NOTICE

THE SALE OF OLD CHINESE CURIOS, advertised to take place TO-DAY (SATURDAY), 15th inst., by the undersigned at their Sales Rooms in 100 House Street is POSTPONED and a quantity of BLACKWOOD FURNITURE, one PORCELAIN INLAID BLACKWOOD SCREEN, a few SILVER CRUETS, SILVER BOWLS, &c., one APOLLO PIANO-PLAYER with Selections and a few pieces of OLD CHINESE PORCELAIN, one SECTIONAL CASE containing Plans of Hongkong, Kowloon, &c., and a quantity of VALUABLE BOOKS will be Sold by Public Auction in its place. (Particulars from Catalogue)

Terms:—As Usual.

HUGHES & HOUGH, Auctioneers.

Hongkong, 14th May, 1909.

PUBLIC AUCTION

THE Undersigned have received instructions to Sell by Public Auction, FOR ACCOUNT OF THE CONCERNED, On TUESDAY, the 18th May, 1909, at 11 a.m., at The Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Company's Godowns, or S.S. "SCANDIA," 767 Bales PAPER, 203 Bales CELLULOSE, 40 Bales FIBRE, AND 25 Bales WOOLEN YARN. (All more or less damaged by Sea Water).

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Hongkong, 13th May, 1909.

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Hongkong, 5th May, 1909.

TO LET

NO. 2, OLD BAILEY. Immediate Possession.

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Hongkong, 8th May, 1909.

TO LET

ROOMS suitable for Offices in No. 10, 100 House Street, in rear of David Sassoon & Co.'s premises.

Apply to—DAVID SASSOON & Co., Ltd.

Hongkong, 1st May, 1909.

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Hongkong, 14th May, 1909.

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Hongkong, 12th May, 1909.

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Hongkong, 20th March, 1909.

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NO. 34, QUEEN'S ROAD CENTRAL (Shop). Opposite the Post Office.

No. 1A, WYNDHAM STREET (suitable for Office and Godown).

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Hongkong, 19th March, 1909.

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# PENINSULAR & ORIENTAL STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY.

STEAMERS	TO SAIL	REMARKS
LONDON VIA USUAL PORTS DELTA	15th May	See Special
OF CALLED	Capt. B. W. H. Snow	Advertisement
SHANGHAI, NAGASAKI, NAMUR	About 17th	Freight and
MOJI, KOBÉ and YOKOHAMA	May	Passage
LONDON and ANTWERP	About 19th	Freight only
VIA SINGAPORE, PENANG, COLOMBO PORT	May	
SAID and MARSEILLES		
HANGHAI	About 27th	Freight and
	May	Passage

For further Particulars, apply to

E. A. HEWETT,  
Superintendent.

Hongkong, 14th May, 1909.

## CHINA NAVIGATION CO., LD. SAILINGS SUBJECT TO ALTERATION.

STEAMERS	TO SAIL
SHANGHAI	"ANHUI" On 16th May, D'light
BOHIOU and HAIPHONG	"SINGAN" On 16th May, D'light
CHINKIANG	"SHANTUNG" On 16th May, D'light
CHU and ILOILO	"SUNGKIANG" On 16th May, D'light
JANILA	"TEAN" On 16th May, 3 P.M.
HEFOO and TIENTSIN	"KUEICHOW" On 19th May, 4 P.M.
HANGHAI	"CHINHUA" On 20th May, 4 P.M.
NEWCHANG	"KWEIYANG" On 21st May, 4 P.M.
SHANGHAI	"CHENAN" On 23rd May, D'light
MANILA	"TAMING" On 25th May, 3 P.M.
SHANGHAI	"YINGCHOW" On 27th May, 4 P.M.

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STEAMERS	FOR	LEAVING
HAINUN	SWATOW	SUNDAY, 16th May, at 10 A.M.
HAIYANG	SWATOW, AMOY & FOCHOOW	TUESDAY, 18th May, at 1 P.M.
HAICHING	SWATOW, AMOY & FOCHOOW	FRIDAY, 21st May, at 1 P.M.

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HONGKONG, 15th May, 1909.

DOUGLAS, LAPRAIK & Co.,  
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PROPOSED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG—  
SUBJECT TO ALTERATION.

FOR	THE CO.'S S.S.	LEAVING
AMSUI VIA SWATOW	"DAIJIN MARU"	SUNDAY, 16th May, at 10 A.M.
SHANGHAI VIA SWATOW	"BUJUN MARU"	TUESDAY, 18th May, at 10 A.M.
AMSUI VIA SWATOW	"DAIGI MARU"	SUNDAY, 23rd May, at 10 A.M.

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## INDO-CHINA S. NAV. CO., LD.

FOR	STEAMERS	TO SAIL
SHANGHAI VIA WEIHAIWEI & CHEFOO	"HANGSANG"	Sunday, 16th May, D'light
PORE, PENANG & CALCUTTA	"WINGSANG"	Tuesday, 18th May, Noon
YOKOHAMA, KOBÉ & MOJI	"AMARA"	Tuesday, 18th May, 4 P.M.
PORE, PENANG & CALCUTTA	"LAISANG"	Wednesday, 19th May, Noon
YOKOHAMA, KOBÉ & MOJI	"KUTSANG"	Friday, 21st May, 4 P.M.
PORE & SAMARANG	"YUENSANG"	Friday, 21st May, 4 P.M.
YOKOHAMA, KOBÉ & MOJI	"HOPSANG"	Tuesday, 25th May, Noon
PORE & SAMARANG	"LOONGSANG"	Friday, 28th May, 4 P.M.

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Occupying 24 days. "Namsang" and "Fooksang" leave about every 3 weeks for Yokohama returning via Kobe (Inland Sea) and Moji to Hongkong, providing a day in Japan. If passengers leave the steamer at Yokohama and rejoin at Kobe, vessels have all modern improvements and are fitted throughout with Electric Light. qualified surgeon is also carried.

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HONGKONG, 15th May, 1909.

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KAMO MARU	(Capt. F. L. SOMMER)	About Wed. 23rd July.
MISHIMA MARU	(Capt. A. E. MOSES)	About Wed. 25th August.

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Hongkong, 8th May, 1909.

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PROJECTED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG—  
SUBJECT TO ALTERATION.

DESTINATIONS.	STEAMERS.	TONS.	SAILING DATES.
MARSEILLES, LONDON and ANTWERP via SINGAPORE, COLOMBO, and PORT SAID.	WAKASA MARU	6500	WED. DAY, 26th May, at Daylight
YOKOHAMA, KOBÉ, and SHANGHAI.	WAKASA MARU	6500	WED. DAY, 9th June, at Daylight
YOKOHAMA, KOBÉ, and SHANGHAI.	WAKASA MARU	6500	TUESDAY, 25th May, at Noon
YOKOHAMA, KOBÉ, and SHANGHAI.	WAKASA MARU	6500	TUESDAY, 8th June, at Noon
YOKOHAMA, KOBÉ, and SHANGHAI.	WAKASA MARU	6500	FRIDAY, 11th June, at Noon
YOKOHAMA, KOBÉ, and SHANGHAI.	WAKASA MARU	6500	FRIDAY, 9th July, at Noon
YOKOHAMA, KOBÉ, and SHANGHAI.	WAKASA MARU	6500	FRIDAY, 21st May, at Noon
YOKOHAMA, KOBÉ, and SHANGHAI.	WAKASA MARU	6500	SUNDAY, 23rd May, at Daylight
YOKOHAMA, KOBÉ, and SHANGHAI.	WAKASA MARU	6500	THURSDAY, 27th May, at Noon
YOKOHAMA, KOBÉ, and SHANGHAI.	WAKASA MARU	6500	FRIDAY, 28th May, at Noon
YOKOHAMA, KOBÉ, and SHANGHAI.	WAKASA MARU	6500	WED. DAY, 9th June, at Noon

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From Hongkong direct to Nagasaki 4 days, to Kobe 5 days and to Yokohama 6 days.  
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Hongkong, 15th May, 1909.

T. KUSUMOTO,  
MANAGER.

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## CHINA AND MANILA STEAMSHIP COMPANY, LIMITED.

STEAMSHIP	TONS.	CAPTAIN	FOR	SAILING DATE.
RUBI	2540	R. W. Almond.	Manila	On 15th May, Noon.
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GENERAL MANAGERS.

Hongkong, 6th May, 1909.

## HAMBURG-AMERIKA LINIE HAMBURG.

### EAST ASIATIC FREIGHT SERVICE.

Regular Sailings from JAPAN, CHINA and PHILIPPINES,  
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S.S. ISTRIA ... 29th May	S.S. BELGRAVIA ... About end of May
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S.S. SEGOVIA ... 17th June	S.S. SUEVIA ... 8th June
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HAMBURG-AMERIKA LINIE,

Hongkong, 12th May, 1909.

Hongkong Office.

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GOTHENBURG.

PROJECTED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG.

SUBJECT TO ALTERATION.

DESTINATION	STEAMERS	DATE OF SAILING.
SHANGHAI, YOKOHAMA and KOBÉ	"NIPPON"	Middle of May.
MARSEILLES, HAVRE, COPENHAGEN and GOTHENBURG	"CANTON"	Middle of June.

For Further Particulars apply to

MELCHERS & CO.,  
AGENTS.

Hongkong, 8th May, 1909.

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REGULAR STEAMSHIP SERVICE FOR CALLAO, IQUIQUE, VALPARAISO, ETC.,  
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S.S. MANSHU MARU	5000	July 1st, at Noon.
S.S. AMERICA MARU	5000	Aug. 30th, at Noon.
S.S. HONGKONG MARU	6000	Oct. 26th, at Noon.
S.S. MANSHU MARU	5000	Dec. 10th, at Noon.

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K. MATSUDA, Manager.

Hongkong, 5th May, 1909.

TOYO KISEN KAISHA, Yokohama Building,  
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Leave—Shanghai (Steamer)	Arrive—Dairen	Leave—Dairen	Arrive—Shanghai
Monday	Monday	Monday	Monday
Tuesday	Tuesday	Tuesday	Tuesday
Wednesday	Wednesday	Wednesday	Wednesday
Thursday	Thursday	Thursday	Thursday
Friday	Friday	Friday	Friday
Saturday	Saturday	Saturday	Saturday
Sunday	Sunday	Sunday	Sunday

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Approximate times of closing mails at Shanghai via Dally and Siberia.

DATE	TIME
20th May	at 8.00 a.m.
22nd May	at 8.00 p.m.
24th May	at 8.00 p.m.
26th May	at 8.00 p.m.
28th May	at 8.00 p.m.
30th May	at 8.00 p.m.

FOR	DATE
Haitow	Saturday, 15th, 8.00 a.m.
Amoy	Saturday, 15th, 9.00 a.m.
Tientsin, Chefoo and Tientsin	Saturday, 15th, 10.00 a.m.
Manila	Saturday, 15th, 10.00 a.m.
Manila, Cebu, Zamboanga, 8.00 a.m. and	Saturday, 15th, 10.00 a.m.
Manila	Saturday, 15th, 10.00 a.m.
Singapore, Penang and Bombay	Saturday, 15th, 10.00 a.m.

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Extra Postage 10 cents.  
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FOR	DATE
Manila	Saturday, 15th, 11.00 a.m.
Manila, Cebu, Zamboanga, 8.00 a.m. and	Saturday, 15th, 11.00 a.m.
Manila	Saturday, 15th, 11.00 a.m.
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Manila	Saturday, 15th, 12.00 p.m.
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Manila	Saturday, 15th, 12.00 p.m.
Singapore, Penang and Bombay	Saturday, 15th, 12.00 p.m.

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FOR	DATE
Manila	Saturday, 15th, 1.00 p.m.
Manila, Cebu, Zamboanga, 8.00 a.m. and	Saturday, 15th, 1.00 p.m.
Manila	Saturday, 15th, 1.00 p.m.
Singapore, Penang and Bombay	Saturday, 15th, 1.00 p.m.

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FOR	DATE
Manila	Saturday, 15th, 2.00 p.m.
Manila, Cebu, Zamboanga, 8.00 a.m. and	Saturday, 15th, 2.00 p.m.
Manila	Saturday, 15th, 2.00 p.m.
Singapore, Penang and Bombay	Saturday, 15th, 2.00 p.m.

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## VESSELS EXPECTED.

The H.A. Lindstr. *Silvia* left Singapore on the 8th instant p.m., and may be expected here to-day p.m.

The N.Y.K. str. *Kaga Maru* (America Line) left Shanghai on the 13th instant, and is expected here to-morrow a.m.

The P. & O. str. *Namur* left Singapore for this port on the 11th instant at 5.30 p.m., and is due here to-morrow at about 4 p.m.

The P. & O. str. *Socotra* left Singapore for this port on the 11th instant at 3.30 p.m., and is due here to-morrow at about 5 p.m.

The str. *Saint Patrick* is due at Hongkong from New York on Sunday next.

The E. & A. str. *Empire* left Sydney on the 11th inst., for this port (via Queensland Ports and Manila).

The Swedish str. *Nippon* left Singapore on the 12th inst., and may be expected here on or about the 18th inst.

The Austrian Lloyd's str. *E. F. Ferdinand* left Singapore for this port on the 12th inst., and is due here on the 18th inst.

The N.Y.K. str. *Takasaka Maru* (Bombay Line) left Bombay for this port via Singapore on the 7th inst., and is expected here on the 25th inst.

The C.N. Co's str. *Stanger* left Haiphong on the 9th inst., and is due here to-day.

The C.N. Co's str. *Kueichow* left Tientsin on the 6th inst., and may be expected here to-day.

## COMMERCIAL.

## EXCHANGE CLOSING QUOTATIONS.

May 14th.

ON LONDON—  
Telegraphic Transfer 194  
Bank Bills, on demand 194  
Bank Bills, at 30 days sight 194  
Bank Bills, at 4 months sight 194  
Credits, at 4 months sight 194  
Documentary Bills at 4 months sight 194

ON PARIS—  
Bank Bills, on demand 226  
Credits, at 4 months sight 230

ON GERMANY—  
On demand 1834

ON NEW YORK—  
Bank Bills, on demand 433  
Credits, at 60 days sight 444

ON BOMBAY—  
Telegraphic Transfer 1544  
Bank, on demand 135

ON CALCUTTA—  
Telegraphic Transfer 1544  
Bank, on demand 135

ON SHANGHAI—  
Bank, at sight 743  
Private, 30 days sight 754

ON YOKOHAMA—  
On demand 774  
On 3 months sight 784

ON MANILA—  
On demand 1074

ON CANTON—  
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ON HONGKONG—  
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ON SINGAPORE—  
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ON BANGKOK—  
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ON SOERABAYA—  
On demand 1074

ON GOLD LEAF—  
100 fine, per tael 858

ON SILVER—  
per 100 244

## SUBSIDIARY COINS.

Chinese 20 cents pieces \$7.40 discount.

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Hongkong 10 " \$7.05

## OPIUM.

May 10th.

Quotations—  
Malwa New 31,070/1,090 per picul.

Malwa Old 31,100/1,120

Malwa Older 31,150/1,150

Malwa V. Old 31,160/1,200

Persian fine quality 31,220/1,350

Persian extra fine 31,300/1,400

Patna New 31,030

Patna Old 31,025

Benares New 31,025

Benares Old 31,025

## PASSENGERS.

Per Tean, from Manila: Major and Mrs. Day, Lieut. and Mrs. Kemel, Mrs. Stein, Mrs. Hinder, Mrs. Mendoza, Misses A. Stein, E. Stein and Frank (2), Capt. J. L. Stein, Lieut. Comdr. Col. R. L. Stein, Lieut. Comdr. Messrs. Crane, Sprague, Landmann, Broderick, Mitchell, Hoffman, Wilford and Hagedorn.

Per Express of India, for Hongkong, from Vancouver B.C. Mrs. A. G. rane, Messrs. J. D. Keeler, Jr., Ed. Osborne and R. L. Davidson, from Nagasaki, Mr. H. W. Slade, from Shanghai, Mr. and Mrs. W. J. Green and maid, Miss Johnson, Messrs. T. E. Hough, H. Baker and F. B. Marshall.

Per Delta, for Hongkong, from Shanghai, Mr. and Mrs. Stein, Mrs. W. M. Anderson, Messrs. R. R. Rhodes and L. Payette, from Kobe, Mr. A. R. Corbett, from Yokohama, from Colombo, Mr. F. I. Lloyd, from Kobe, from Bombay, Mr. W. F. Stratton, from Shanghai, for Penang, Messrs. F. Anderson and L. Kerr, for Bombay, Mr. J. H. Gotter, for Malacca, Mr. W. M. Symonds, for London, Mr. and Mrs. A. Hunt, Mr. and Mrs. A. Cuff, child and infant, Mrs. Barrett, child, infant and small, and Capt. Le Mare.

Per Chiyo Maru, for Hongkong, from San Francisco, Mr. and Mrs. G. E. Brower, Mr. and Mrs. Robert Haynes, infant and small, Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Keesh, Mr. and Mrs. James B. Malott and infant, Mr. and Mrs. Milton O. Marshall and infant, Mr. and Mrs. John L. Peet, Mr. and Mrs. John B. White, Capt. and Mrs. B. Putnam, U.S.M.C., Capt. and Mrs. A. S. Williams, U.S.M.C., Mrs. E. L. Hartigan, Mrs. E. G. Roberts, Miss Edith M. Haynes, Miss Ellen Doe White, Capt. Percy F. Archer, U.S.M.C., Messrs. J. E. Brown, Geo. Frankfort, Preston King, J. H. Brown, A. Kaldor, S. C. Simms, C. L. Stokes, Robert D. Taylor and Claude Thigpen, from Yokohama, Mrs. K. Matsuda, 3 children and servant, Mrs. M. Saunders, Miss R. Bennett and Mr. G. W. Kettlingburg, from Kobe, Mrs. C. C. Lind, Miss J. Lind and Miss Clara Phinney, from Shanghai, Mr. and Mrs. J. D. Marshall, Messrs. W. J. Bailey, B. Blumenthal, J. C. P. d'Assumpcao and servant, J. Eiten, Ellis Kadoorie and servant, E. Moller and G. Thomas.

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## SHARE LIST.—QUOTATIONS.

HONGKONG, MAY 14TH, 1909.

STOCKS.	NO. OF SHARES.	VALUE.	PAID UP.	CLOSING QUOTATIONS CASH.
Alhambra, Limited	300	Pa. 200	Pa. 200	Nominal
Banks—				
Hongkong & Shanghai Bank Corporation	120,000	\$125	all	\$950, buyers
National Bank of China, Limited	99,925	\$7	\$6	\$51, buyers
Bell's Asbestos Eastern Agency, Limited	8,604	12/6	12/6	\$104, buyers
China Borneo Company, Limited	60,000	\$12	\$12	\$123, sal. & sel.
China Light and Power Company, Limited	50,000	\$10	\$10	\$6, sellers
China Provident Loan & Mortgage Co., Ltd.	200,000	\$1	\$1	\$94, sal. & sel.
Cotton Mills—				
Woo Cotton Spinning & Weaving Co., Ltd.	20,000	Tls. 50	Tls. 50	Tls. 121
Hongkong Cotton Spinning Co., Ltd.	125,000	Tls. 10	Tls. 10	\$84, sales
International Cotton Manufacturing Co., Ltd.	10,000	Tls. 75	Tls. 75	Tls. 91
Loan-Kung-Mow C. Spin. & Weav. Co., Ltd.	8,000	Tls. 100	Tls. 100	Tls. 112
Shao Chee Cotton Spinning Co., Limited	2,000	Tls. 500	Tls. 500	Tls. 400
Dairy Farm Company, Limited	40,000	\$71	\$6	\$161, sellers
Docks and Wharves—				
Hongkong & Kowloon Wharf & G. Co., Ltd.	60,000	\$50	all	\$53, buyers
Hongkong & Whampoa Dock Co., Ltd.	50,000	\$50	\$50	\$53, buyers
New Amoy Dock Co., Limited	10,000	\$50	\$50	Tls. 85
Shanghai Dock and Engineering Co., Ltd.	55,700	Tls. 100	Tls. 100	Tls. 170
Shanghai and Hongkong Wharf Co., Ltd.	35,000	Tls. 100	Tls. 100	Tls. 170
Fenwick & Co., Limited	18,000	\$25	\$25	\$11, sellers
Green Island Cement Co., Limited	400,000	\$10	\$10	\$39, buyers
Hongkong and China Gas Co., Limited	7,000	\$10	all	\$210, buyers
Hongkong Electric Co., Limited	60,000	\$10	\$10	\$154, sal. & buy.
Hongkong Hotel Company, Limited	12,000	\$25	all	\$71, (old)
Hongkong Ice Company, Limited	8,000	\$25	all	\$42, (sal. & sel.)
Hongkong Milling Co., Ltd. (in Liquidation)	5,000	\$25	all	\$155, sellers
Hongkong Rope Manufacturing Co., Limited	10,000	\$100	\$100	Nominal
INSURANCE—				
Canton Insurance Office Co., Limited	10,000	\$250	\$50	\$1971
China Fire Insurance Co., Limited	20,000	\$100	\$20	\$103, buyers
China Traders Insurance Co., Limited	24,000	\$83.33	\$25	\$854, buyers
Hongkong Fire Insurance Co., Limited	8,000	\$250	\$50	\$245
North China Insurance Co., Limited	10,000	\$15	\$5	Tls. 104, buyers
Union Insurance Society, Limited	12,000	\$250	\$100	\$845
Yangtze Insurance Association, Limited	12,000	\$100	\$60	\$225
LANDS AND BUILDINGS—				
Hongkong Land Investment Agency Co., Ltd.	50,000	\$100	\$100	\$102, buyers
Hongkong Estate and Finance Co., Ltd.	150,000	\$10	all	\$9, sal. & buy.
Hongkong Estate and Finance Co., Ltd.	6,000	\$50	\$50	\$30, buyers
Kowloon Land and Building Co., Ltd.	78,000	Tls. 50	Tls. 50	Tls. 120
Shanghai Land Investment Co., Limited	12,500	\$50	\$50	\$44
West Point Building Co., Limited	12,500	\$50	\$50	\$44
MINING—				
Societe Francaise des Charbons du Tonkin	16,000	Pa. 250	all	\$625, buyers
Rauk Australian Gold Mining Co., Ltd.	200,000	\$1	18/10	\$94, buyers
Peak Tramways Co., Limited	25,000	\$10	\$1	\$12, sales
Philippine Co., Limited	50,000	\$10	\$1	\$8, sales
REFINERIES—				
China Sugar Refining Co., Limited	20,000	\$100	all	\$140, buyers
London Sugar Refining Co., Limited	7,000	\$100	all	\$16, sellers
Robinson Piano Co., Limited	4,000	\$50	\$50	\$50, sellers
STEAMSHIP COMPANIES—				
China and Manila Steamship Co., Ltd.	30,000	\$25	\$25	\$11, sellers
Douglas Steamship Co., Limited	20,000	\$50	\$15	\$314, sal. & sel.
Hongkong, Canton & Amoy S.S. Co., Ltd.	80,000	\$15	\$15	\$52, sal. & sel.
Indo-China Steam Navigation Co., Ltd.	60,000	\$5	\$5	\$28, sal. & sel.
Shell Transport & Trading Co., Limited	2,000,000	\$1	\$1	\$86, sal. & b.
Star Ferry Company, Limited	10,000	\$10	\$10	\$25, buyers
South China Morning Post, Limited	10,000	\$10	\$10	\$25, buyers
Steam Laundry Company, Limited	20,000	\$25	\$25	\$24, sales
STORES AND DISPENSARIES—				
Campbell, Moore & Co., Limited	1,200	\$10	\$7	\$7, buyers
Watson, Powell, Limited	15,000	\$7	\$7	\$34, buyers
Watkins, Limited	10,000	\$10	\$10	\$9, sales
A. S. Watson & Co., Limited	90,000	\$10	\$10	\$100, buyers
Weissmann, Limited	175	\$100	\$100	\$4, \$124
United Asbestos Oriental Agency, Limited	9,900 only	\$10	\$10	\$230
Union Waterboat Co., Limited	100 shares	\$10	\$10	\$104, sal. & buy.

Loans.	Amount.	Value.	Interest.	Quotation.
Chinese Imperial 1896	Tls. 767,200	Tls. 250	7 1/2 p. annum	Par.

## HIS BRITANNIC MAJESTY'S SHIPS IN THE CHINA SQUADRON.

Alacrity, despatch-boat, 700 tons, 4 guns, 3,000 h.p., Comd. C. T. Fuller, Shanghai.

Asraha, 2nd class cruiser, 4,360 tons, 10 guns, 7,000 h.p., Captain F. E. C. Ryan, Shanghai.

Bellard, 1st class cruiser, Capt. E. S. Fitzherbert, R.N., Kobe.

Bramble, gunboat 710 tons,



**SURREPTITIOUS IMPORTATIONS.**

It is now an accepted rule that ease before acquiring an outfit for walking, motoring, dining, dancing, visiting, one must have a new corset adapted to increasing slowness of one's figure. Slowness is not increasing it ought to be wise one is hopelessly out of fashion in a robe-corset, with its continuous line of the whole cut in one - a princess, a join or crease, is the ideal means of slowness, according to the opinion of London and Paris. The inventor is the Temple, of Sloane-street, Gold Medal and Z. in The Globe.

The coolies board the steamer at Singapore the dead of night, and at eleven when the engine is started the sailing coal has ceased to burn. The carpenter has set up a fire of reeds into which the coolies throw like logs of wood. A house or temporary shelter is then hastily run up, invariably with a port hole for ventilation, and a small and obscure opening through which air and water may be pushed at irregular intervals. If the party is hidden under a pile of coals, "Number one" (the head) is handed a few dollars to shut his eyes and hear nothing. If stowed away in a cargo, the ferry (Anglice for board) is itching palm suitably graced for the purpose. The sanitary arrangements in the hiding-places are simply the quaintest and most despicable Eastern filth. The unfortunate are induced to leave their native land for the grossest of misrepresentation and a dreadful time of it on the voyage. They are cramped with rats and vermin and are not sufficient to keep body and soul together. The privations are of such a character that only young men, of the order and in good health, survive the ordeal.

We believe they are saying this because we know how little they care for themselves about the things of the world. It is the same with those who leave our country to go to the world. Of the dead we know nothing but good, but for the living back home we are turned on we more often have a suspicion that they are not so good as a gracious word.

Happiness in this world is least likely to be found by those who seek it. Nor do they deliberately attempt to drive happiness from others. They are content to let their own arms, usually empty, be used by another's arms. They usually realise that the power of the world is not to be counteracted by the power of the world. It is to be met by the power of the world. "Here is a poor, starving wretch," says the man who feels benignant, and desires to help him. "There is a poor, starving wretch," says the man who feels benignant, and desires to help him. "There is a poor, starving wretch," says the man who feels benignant, and desires to help him.

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